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The bill was read for the first time and referred to the Committee on Children and Families Finance and Policy

1.1A bill for an act

1.2relating to child protection; directing the commissioner to make recommendations

1.3for paperwork reduction relating to child protection cases.

1.4BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF MINNESOTA:

1.5Section 1. **DIRECTION TO COMMISSIONER; PAPERWORK REDUCTION FOR**

1.6**CHILD PROTECTION CASES.**

1.7By January 15, 2026, the commissioner of children, youth, and families in partnership

1.8with counties and local social services agencies, and in consultation with Minnesota's Tribal

1.9governments, shall develop a plan to streamline and minimize required paperwork for child

1.10protection cases. The plan must include a summary of proposed changes to current practice,

1.11a proposed timeline to implement the changes, and procedures for soliciting ongoing input

1.12regarding implementation from counties and Minnesota's Tribal governments. The procedures

1.13for soliciting ongoing input must include a method of incorporating the input into the

1.14implementation of the changes and ensuring that the planned improvements maximize

1.15benefits and utility for children in placement, foster care providers, Tribes, counties, and

1.16private child placing agencies.